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**BY ECF & FACSIMILE**

Honorable. Sterling Johnson, Jr.  
United States District Court Judge  
Eastern District of New York  
225 Cadman Plaza East  
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: United States v. John Burke  
09 Cr. 135 (S-5) (SJ)

Dear Judge Johnson:

This letter is to respectfully request that Your Honor grant a brief extension until July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012, to file post-trial motions in above captioned case. The extension is based upon the fact that the defendant broke three ribs while at the Metropolitan Detention Center. The defendant has been in a considerable amount of pain, and therefore, not able to review, and discuss the post-trial motions with counsel. The undersigned counsel has conferred with the Government, and they have no objection to the request for an extension of time. Should the Court grant the defendant's request, it is also requested, that the Court extend the deadline for the Government's response until August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ying Stafford